

# Assessment Topics

The goal of Connect for Respect is to complement, not compete with existing school climate efforts. To be effective, you will need to assess the current school climate and available resources. Use the questions and topics listed below to guide your assessment process.

Topic	Questions to Consider
<b>School Data:</b> Measuring Current School Climate	<b>Existing Data</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What existing data is available regarding bullying?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Number of reported incidents</li><li>○ Percentage of students reporting incidents</li><li>○ Type of incident (cyberbullying, physical, verbal)</li><li>○ Location where most incidents occur (i.e.: cafeteria, bus stop)</li></ul></li><li>• How is the data measured?</li><li>• Are there existing survey results regarding student and/or parent perceptions?</li></ul> <b>Gathering New Data</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Does the school district require active parental consent for student surveys?</li><li>• What are preferred survey distribution methods for student surveys and parent surveys?</li><li>• Are there existing guidelines/templates for survey questions?</li></ul>
<b>Policies:</b> How The School Responds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What are the current school policies addressing bullying and school climate?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Are these policies in line with current best practices?</li></ul></li><li>• How are these policies communicated to families and students?</li><li>• How consistently are these policies implemented?</li><li>• How can families support these policies at home and in school?</li></ul>
<b>Curriculum/Programs:</b> How are social-emotional lessons incorporated into the school culture?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Does the school currently utilize any existing program or curriculum? (i.e.: PBIS, Olweus, etc.)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ What is the program structure and curriculum?</li><li>○ Does it follow current best practices?</li><li>○ How consistently are these programs implemented across classrooms?</li><li>○ How can families support the programs at home and in school?</li></ul></li><li>• If there are no existing programs, why not?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ If cost is prohibitive, how can families work with the school to support alternative programs?</li></ul></li></ul>